

# OSGOODEPD'S UPCOMING PROGRAMS IN EDUCATION LAW

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Are you confident in your understanding of the law that governs today's education system?

• **Critical and Emerging Issues in School Law for K-12 Education Professionals**  
February 10-11, 2020  
(Online Replay: March 30-31, 2020)

• **Human Resources Law for Education Professionals**  
May 11, 2020  
(Online Replay: June 8, 2020)

• **Education Law for Private and Independent Schools**  
November 2, 2020  
(Online Replay: December 2, 2020)

• **Mental Health Law for Children & Youth**  
April 6, 2020  
(Online Replay: May 5, 2020)

• **Advanced Issues in Special Education Law**  
October 30, 2020 (Online Replay:  
November 25, 2020)

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## Certificate in Education Law

Complete 5 days of programming within 2 years to earn the NEW Osgoode Certificate in Education Law.

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# Complete 5 days of programming within 2 years to earn the Osgoode Certificate in Education Law.

The education system continues to evolve and more demands are being placed on you, as an Education Professional. It is increasingly important that you stay on top of the latest legal issues, ensure you understand the law that guides your actions and have a good understanding of risk management and best practices strategies.

OsgoodePD's Education Law programs were developed exclusively for you, in consultation with legal and industry experts. Choose to register for 1, 2 or multiple programs.

For those that wish to take a deeper-dive, if you complete 5 days of programming within 2 years, you will be eligible to obtain the **Osgoode Certificate in Education Law**. Program Requirements:

## A) Mandatory Courses

- Advanced Issues in Special Education Law
- Critical and Emerging Issues in School Law for K-12 Education Professionals (2 days)
- Human Resources Law for Education Professionals

## B) Elective Courses (choose 1 of):

- Education Law for Private and Independent Schools
- Mental Health Law for Children & Youth
- Cannabis in Schools: An Educator's Guide to the Law and Best Practices (Web - On Demand)

## B) Online Webinars (must view all):

- School Excursions: An Educator's Guide to The Legal Risks and Best Practices (Web - On Demand)
- Student Investigations: The Legal and Practical Guide (Web - On Demand)
- The Educators Guide to Family Law Issues (Web - On Demand)

Designed to provide a **curriculum-based** learning platform, this Certificate will provide education professionals and their advisors with the opportunity to:

- Enhance their skills across **core competencies** in the critical areas of education law
- Deepen their knowledge of the **legal standards** that guide their actions
- Learn about and reflect upon **best practices** and evolving approaches in a range of current and challenging areas faced by educators
- Practice learned skills and get feedback from instructors – acknowledged experts in the field
- Get a deeper understanding of your role in the larger education law system and the impact your actions have

Each program module includes an emphasis on skills-based learning, with in-class lectures being supplemented by case studies and peer interaction, group work, designated Q&A sessions, role plays simulations and much more.

Upon completion of course requirements, all Certificate graduates will obtain complimentary access to one of the Education Law online webinars of their choice.

# Programs at a Glance

## **Critical and Emerging Issues in School Law for K-12 Education Professionals\***

(In Person and Webcast)

Using case studies and real-life examples, you will gain in-depth understanding of the top legal issues facing educators today, along with practical strategies for handling them.

## **Mental Health Law for Children & Youth**

(In Person and Webcast)

This annual event brings together legal, healthcare, mental health and education professionals to provide a comprehensive update on the essential, current and emerging issues surround mental health law for children and youth.

## **Human Resources Law for Education Professionals\***

(In Person and Webcast)

Human resource challenges in the education sector are increasingly complex. An interactive case study will engage you in the issues, while providing strategies and best practices you can add to your HR toolkit!

## **Advanced Issues Special Education Law\***

(In Person and Webcast)

This annual program provides guidance to educators on the complex legal issues surrounding special education law and how best to navigate them.

## **Education Law for Private and Independent Schools**

(In Person and Webcast)

Private and independent schools face a myriad of issues unique to them. The goal of this program will be to provide an overview of applicable laws, strategies and best practices for handling them.

*\*These programs are mandatory for those seeking to obtain the Osgoode Certificate in Education Law*

## **Cannabis in Schools – An Educator's Guide to the Law and Best Practices**

(Web - On Demand)

Medical and recreational cannabis and its use by staff and students poses very unique challenges. Join us for a comprehensive program on your legal obligations and best practices you may immediately put to use.

## **School Excursions: An Educator's Guide to the Legal Risks and Best Practices**

(Web - On Demand)

What are the legal responsibilities school boards have towards their students? What standard of care is owed? Is your school board policy enough? All of these questions and more are addressed in this very timely webinar put on by legal and insurance experts.

## **Student Investigations: The Legal and Practical Guide**

(Web - On Demand)

Before you can initiate an investigation, you need to understand what guides your actions. Don't miss this session and gain the practical knowledge and best practices you can put to work the next time you conduct an investigation

## **The Educators Guide to Family Law Issues**

(Web - On Demand)

Pressing family law issues are being dealt with daily by educators. Knowing your legal obligations and how to handle these complex issues is critical.

## Recommended for:

Those working in education or advising education clients and seeking to gain a comprehensive grounding in all aspects of education law, including:

- School Administrators (Principals, VPs)
- Teachers
- Superintendents of Education
- Supervisory Officers
- School Trustees
- Special Education Consultants
- Directors of Education
- School Board Staff
- Teachers
- Office of the Ombudsman
- Education Law Practitioners

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## UPCOMING LIVE COURSES

### Critical and Emerging Issues in School Law for K-12 Education Professionals\*

**February 10-11, 2020**  
**8:30am - 3:30pm**

**Available in-person and by webcast**

#### Chairs:

**Robert G. Keel**, Keel Cottrelle LLP

**The Hon. Marvin A. Zuker**, Associate Professor, Leadership, Higher & Adult Education, University of Toronto, OISE

- The law guiding your actions: a primer on the statutory framework
- The impact of the *Charter of Rights* and the *Ontario Human Rights Code* on schools
- Navigating education law issues when there are mental health challenges
- Student discipline best practices on the ground
- Understanding privacy and access to information in the education setting
- Identifying families in crisis: the role of education professionals in working with law enforcement and CAS
- Family law and the courts: Issues impacting schools

**Q&A Session:** Your chance to ask those pressing questions you need guidance on.

### Mental Health Law for Children & Youth

**April 6, 2020**  
**9:00am – 4:00pm**

**Available in-person and by webcast**

#### Chairs:

**Dr. Sharon Pyke**, Superintendent of Education, Greater Essex County District

School Board

**Kathryn A. Hunt**, Barrister & Solicitor

- What advocacy support is most appropriate?
- Emerging trends in mental health among children and youth
- Privacy, confidentiality and information sharing in the context of children/youth with mental health challenges
- Understanding the role of the Office of the Children's Lawyer
- Child protection: from trauma and kids in care to support/counselling

### Human Resources Law for Education Professionals\*

**May 11, 2020**  
**8:30am – 3:30pm**

**Available in-person and by webcast**

#### Chair:

**Jennifer Trépanier**, Keel Cottrelle LLP

**Nicola Simmons**, Keel Cottrelle LLP

- Off-duty employee-employee conduct and the potential for employer liability
- Student-teacher harassment: legal implications for school boards
- Managing violent behavior in the classroom
- Video surveillance and monitoring of staff

### Advanced Issues in Special Education Law\*

**October 30, 2020**  
**8:30am – 3:30pm**

**Available in-person and by webcast**

#### Chairs:

**Robert G. Keel**, Keel Cottrelle LLP

**Dr. Sharon Pyke**, Superintendent of

Education, Greater Essex County District School Board

- Human rights issues in special education - a look at significant recent decisions
- Balancing legal obligations while maintaining a safe school
- The impact of the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*
- Creative classrooms and flexible seating: benefits to student health & learning
- Hot topics in Human Resources and Special Education

### Education Law for Private & Independent Schools

**November 2, 2020**  
**8:30am - 4:30pm**

**Available in-person and by webcast**

#### Chair:

**Eric M. Roher**, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP

- Human rights and accommodations: school obligations
- Privacy issues around student health including consents and the sharing of information
- Communicating with parents and the public when there is an emergency/crisis at the school
- Child protection issues in the school: the role of educators
- The rights of non-custodial parents
- Current issues around student vaccinations: what are the exemptions and when do they apply?
- Student discipline: what is the process?

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*An excellent, relevant day...proactive strategies focusing on what is best for students while avoiding legal pitfalls...*

**Susan Wilson**, Principal of Special Education Near North District School Board

*The opportunity to engage with current education law and related issues was truly valuable. The focus on current issues such as cyberbullying made this relevant and important.*

**Patricia Thompson**, Thames Valley District School Board

*Great speakers. Loved the balance of law, education, social work, medical perspectives. A lot of learning today.*

**Lisa Weekes**, York Region District School Board



## Registration Details

**Critical and Emerging Issues in School Law for K-12  
Education Professionals (2 days)**

**\$895 + HST**

**Mental Health Law for Children and Youth**

**\$545 + HST**

**Human Resources Law for Education Professionals**

**\$545 + HST**

**Advanced Issues in Special Education Law**

**\$545 + HST**

**Education Law for Private & Independent Schools**

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Fees include attendance, program materials, lunch and break refreshments. **Group discounts are available!** Visit [www.osgoodepd.ca/group-discounts](http://www.osgoodepd.ca/group-discounts) for details. Please inquire about financial assistance.

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### Cancellations and Substitutions

Substitution of registrants is permitted at any time. If you are unable to find a substitute a full refund (less \$75 administration fee) is available if a cancellation request is received in writing 14 days prior to the program date. No other refund is available.

## Certificate of Program Completion

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The **Osgoode Certificate in Education Law** will be granted upon successful completion of 5 days of program modules within a 2 year period, in addition to successfully passing in-class or online assessment(s) in each module (format varies by program).

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